

# ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An apparatus including a first engaging portion for holding an optical pickup, a second engaging portion to be engaged with the first engaging portion, a transfer portion  
5 for driving the second engaging portion to transfer the first engaging portion in a radial direction, a calculating portion for calculating a backlash value between the first and second engaging portions in a transfer direction of the first engaging portion, and a driving control unit. The driving control unit  
10 controls a driving portion to transfer the optical pickup based on a calculated backlash value.